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## SENATOR ELKINS

With Senator Fairbanks Talks With President McKinley

ON FORTHCOMING MESSAGE.

The Currency Question the Promment Topic Touched Upon.

PLAN OF SECRETARY GAGE

Is Not Likely to Fare Very Well with the Cuban and Hawatian Matters Discussed President in Favor of Pacific Measure in Relation to Spain-A Bill to Radically Amend the Civil Service Law to be Introduced in Congress by Representative

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 15.—Sen

ator Elkins was at the white house again this morning and remained with the President more than an hour. He accompanied by Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana. From the discussion of state matters and politics the conversation drifted to the President's forthcoming message. Each made suggestions touching the state paper, Mr. Elkins particularly as to the currency question, and possible legislation con-cerning it. The President is anxious that something shall be done.

Senator Elkins is of the opinion that such legislation as is promised by Secretary Gage cannot be had at this Congress nor at any time until the Republicans, and Democrats who believe with them upon the money question, are in the majority in that body. As at present constituted the senate would not vote to sustain Secretary Gage. Both Senator Elkins and Senator Fairbanks agreed with the President on the questions affecting the relations between this country and her neighbors. Cuba and Hawall were discussed and all agreed that in dealing with Spain on the Cuban question the measures must be pacific. As to the annexation of Hawall there was again unanimity, all being in favor of it.

Representative Stone, of Pittsburgh, to-day filed the application of S. D. Hubley for appointment as surveyor of the port in that city. such legislation as is promised by Sec-

The near approach of the time for the sening of Congress is having the effect of bringing many senators and presentatives to the city and the topic representatives to the city and the topic most heard is future legislation. Three weeks from to-day Congress will convene and it will be a long session. Among the many questions to come before it will be the immigration question, the bankrupt law, the Hawaiian issue, amendment, if not the wholesale abolition, of the civil service law, and not least, the proposition which Senator Elskins advanced at the last session for a discriminative duty on imports for the benefit of American carrying vessels.

It is the understanding that Representative Dorr, among others, will introduce a measure radically amending the civil service law. That or some other similar bill will have a good deal of support, if not an actual majority, but it is not believed a bill to abolish the law will be seriously considered. What is complained of most is what is alleged to be an unwarranted extension of the law, the inclusion in the classified service of offices and branches of the service which, from the nature of things, were never intended to be protected.

Representative Grosvenor, of Ohio, is

tected.

Representative Grosvenor, of Ohlo, is classed with those who favor a modification of the law, and it is believed that a bill which will restore the lines of the classified service to about what they were before President Cleveland's last order of extension was issued will receive greatest favor. That will leave in the protected column all clerical positions below \$1,800 per year, including also the messengers.

The measure in which West Virginians will have a personal interest will be Representative Dayton's bill for creoutlined in the Intelligencer There will be no legislation needed in the way of improvements to West Vir-glala rivers, but the state's representatives may find it necessary to get be-hind the machinery to keep the appro-priations in motion.

Bank Cashier Resigns.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Nov. Brown A. Patterson, of Beaver, Pa., today resigned his position as cashier of the Farmers' and Merchants' bank, at the Farmers' and Merchants' bank, at this place, to accept the position of sec-retary and treasurer of the Koystone chemical works, at Pittsburgh, Joseph Keener, of Lake Charles, La., was elected to succeed Mr. Patterson at the bank.

Farmer's Residence Burned Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Nov. 15.

Last night the home of Justice O. P. McIlae, at Halleck, this county, was burned, together with all of the household goods, one hundred dollars. In cash, all of the records of the justice's court and of the Clinton district school board. The members of the family escaped in their night clothes and were compelled to walk more than a mile for shelter.

Colorada Mine Pire Spreading. ASPEN, Col., Nov. 15.-The Smuggler

fire is burning to-day with greater force than ever and the gas is penetraling Emuggler mountain to the north with remarkable rapidity. About 160 men were forced to quit work this morning in the Della S. and Old Johnson workings, and the deadly flames are still working north towards the Park Regent, Bushwhacker and Alta Argent.

PORTLAND, Ind., Nov. 15.—The Ma-etta glass works at Red Key burned its morning, causing a loss of \$100,000.

To Develop the State Trade PEN ARGYLL, Pa., Nov. 15.-The PEN ARGYLI, Pa., Nov. 15.—The lianger and Pen Argyll state region is receiving a visit from English capital ists, who have formed a company to develop the American state trade in treat liritain and on the continent of Europe by the importing of slate from the United States. The genmany will be known as the American State Mariand Wharf company, limited, of London, and will have a capital of \$509,000 camuel Keat, of Pen Argyll, he a stockholder and the sole representative of the company in this country.

## B. & O. FINANCES.

The Annual Report of the Receivers Shows a Large Increase in Earnings Over the Previous Year-Old Board of Directors Re-Elected,

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 15.-Th stockholders of the Baltimore & Ohlo railroad held their annual meeting in this city to-day and received the annual report of John K. Cowen, the president and co-receiver of the system. The members of the former board of directors were all re-elected unanimously, 162,470 shares of stock being voted.

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The veport submitted to-day to the stockholders shows gross earnings for the year ending June 30, 187, of 325,582,122 31, an increase of 31,637,340 71 over the previous year, and 32,784,940 07 more than in 1896. The freight earnings were 315,336,851 87, an increase of \$1,518,180 03, which increase is ascribed to the many improvements and large increase in equipment afforded the patrons of the line by the receivers and to a general and intelligent effort to increase the traffic of the road. The passenger revenue was \$5,059,01 32, a decrease of \$256,941 47, or \$9,904 85 more than was earned in 1895. The miscellaneous earnings increased \$378,749 15, of which increase the elevators contributed \$325,778 28, they having earned \$514,125 11, in 1897, as against \$187,355 75 in 1896.

The total expenses of the line were \$20,012,093 Sl. an increase of \$2,428,673 46. This increase is very frankly explained by the statement of the large sums re-This increase is very frankly explained by the statement of the large sums required in maintenance of way and maintenance of equipment. The receivers have replaced a large number of old bridges built many years ago with modern steel structures capable of carrying the heaviest trains. It was found absolutely necessary to arch a large number of tunnels and to place in the track much more than the normal amount of new steel ralls, cross ties and ballast. As an illustration of such expenditures it may be mentioned that the entire Washington branch was relaid with steel rails the ties largely renewed and a large amount of stone ballast put in, the entire carnings of this branch having been used to put its roadway in perfect condition.

In the report of the general manager is found a detalled statement of these expenditures which were charged to maintenance of way. A portion of the general increase was caused by the unusual expense for maintenance of equipment, the receivers having placed in thorough repair all of the cars and engines of the company which could be profitably put in condition. These expenditures amounted to \$508,538 03 more than in 1895, and to \$1,429,125 17 more than in 1895. The deficit for the year was \$1,177,120 12, but had it not been for the increase in expenses of maintenance of way and maint nance of equipment the earnings would have been more than sufficient to have paid the interest on the bonded indebtedness of the road.

of the road.

The aggregate expenses for construction and betterments for the twelve months have been \$1,895,498 80, an increase of \$1,385,696 92, and this amount has been charged to the different investment accounts to which the expenditures appertained. The trust fund derived from the sale of Terminal mortsage bonds, the use of which is restricted to making certain improvements, was used substantially at two points, namely, Pittsburgh-Glenwood terminal, and the shops, round-house, yards, etc., at Cumberland. The grades and alignment of the road between Baltimore and Cumberland have been much improved, and as a consequence of this improvement the train loads on these divisions have been increased at least 20 per cent.

At Locust Point, new docks and two berths for ocean steamships have been constructed and an old pler re-arranged, and the officers of the receivers estimate that the cost will be saved in a single year in the reduced expense of unloading incoming vessels. Large expenditures have also been made at Locust Point in re-arranging the yards and more than four times the interest upon the cost is already saved in the reduction of switching charges. A large number of other improvements have been made, all of which tended to facilitate the handling of traffic.

The report shows a radical reduction made in the amount to the credit of profit and loas. A special committee of the beard was appointed to examine the assets of the company and revalue the rolling stock, stocks and bonds and certain other assets. This committee made a radical reduction in the value of the rolling stock, stocks and bonds and advances for construction to the various subordinate lines during the years past, and certain other assets of the company—reducing the total to the credit of profit and loss by about \$20,000,000. The balance sheet sives a very clear and full statement of the assets and liabilities of the company.

One of the features of the report is the tables, and several are quite new. One shows the earnings and expenses of all divisions, east and west of the Ohio river, and another sives an accurate list of the stocks and bonds owned by the Baltimore & Ohio Raliroad Company on June 30, 1897, together with their value, which is \$13,166,183 70. The report of the general manager shows that the tonnage carried, including cost and coke, was 18,716,665, an increase of \$54,728 tons, or 4.3 per cent. During the \$year nine locomotives were rebuilt, 45 received therough re-

666,903,303, an increase of 23.4 per cent. During the \*year nine locomotives were rebuilt, 445 received thorough repairs, 1,539 ordinary repairs were made. The total cars in service June 30, 1897, were 672 passenser and 30,905 freight. The locomotives number 863. The car mileage increased 55,540,468. The total number of passengers carried in 1897 was 8,344,-978, a decrease of 223,116.

Objects to Rate Cutting.
BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 15.—The Baltimore Sun to-morrow will contain an interview with Receiver John Cowen, of the Baltimore & Ohio rait-Cowen, of the Baltimore & Ohio rait-road, to which he severely criticises the cutting of rates which compels his road to carry freight at a rate per ton which leaves little or to room for pro-fit, He alko speaks of the unsound maneial position of those who oppose the purchase of additional rolling stock which is needed to develop the fullest usefulness of the road.

Shapped by the Peller.
CHICAGO, Noy. 15.—The six round contest between Kid McCoy and Auscontest between Kid McCoy and Australian Hilly Smith in which George Biler was referee, was stopped by the police in the first half of the second round fo-night. The fight would not have lasted over two rounds anyway, as McCoy knocked Smith down twice in the first round round, four times in the second round and had him nearly out when the police interfered.

## HEROES HONORED.

Pennsylvania Veterans Dedicate Monuments to the Dead

WHO FELL IN THE BATTLES

Of Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Orchard Eneb and Lookout Mountain Memorable Services in Which Distin guished Old Soldiers Take Part-Com missioner Evans' Patriotic Speech-Many Regimental Monument Dedications. The Veterans Warmiy Received by the

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Nov. 15 .-This has been a glorious day for the Pennsylvania veterans who came here to dedicate their monuments to the memory of their heroism in the great war, exemplified in the valorous conduct on the fields of Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Orchard Knob and Lookout Mountain.

The day was as bright and balmy as an afternoon in May and there was nothing to mar the perfect enjoyment of

The dedicatory services occurred at Orchard Knob, where a stand had been erected, and before 2 o'clock, the hour set for the ceremonles, the government reservation about the stand was crowded with old soldiers, their wives and children, fully 5,000 people being under the sound of the voices of the speakers.

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On the stands were the distinguished speakers and representatives from the local posts of the G. A. R. and N. B. Forrest comp of confederate veterans. Hon. H. Clay Evans, Gen. John F. Gobin, Gen. Latta and other distinguished visitors also occupied seats on the platform. The Fifth regiment United States band from McPherson barracks furnished the music for the occasion.

The vet Brig, Gen. Wm. A. Robinson, of Pittsburgh, president of the state battlefield commission, presided and opened the ceremonies by stating the object of the gathering. He called for prayer from Dr. Thomas H. Robinson, who delivered a fervent invocation for the divine blessing on the events of the day.

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At the conclusion of the prayer Gen. Robinson introduced Lieut. Col. Archibald Blakeley, of the Seventy-eighth regiment, who, representing the Fennsylvania battlefield commission, formally transferred the monuments erected by the state to the government.

Following Col. Blakeley, Governor Hastings spoke, delivering the monuments to the national government. The governor's address was frequently interrupted by applause.

The monuments were then formally accepted on the part of the national government and transferred to the national park—commissioners by Hon. John Tweedale, chief clerk of the war department, representing the secretary of war, Gen. H. V. Boynton, for and on behalf of the national park commission, formally accepted the monuments.

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At the conclusion of Gen. Boynton's address, Gen. Robinson introduced Hon. H. Clay Evans, United States commis-

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Mr. Evans arose amid loud applause and spoke at some length. He said that the government at the breaking out of the war had made two distinctive con-tracts with the people: One that every dollar advanced for carrying forward the war for the union should be paid back in the good, hard gold of the re-public.

public.

The second engagement was that the national government would always care for the destitute survivors of its armies of the war, and for the widows of those who fell in battle. Both of these promises, he said, the government is now carrying out faithfully. He urged all to stand for the honor, of the republic, to preserve the great heritage of freedom and liberty handed down by Washington, transferred by Abrisham Lincoln and so splendidly exemplined by the ruler of 70,000,000 people, who is greater than any monarch of Europe, Wm. Mc-Kinley.

than any monacta of the Kinley.
Following Mr. Evans, Col. Thomas J. Stewart, adjutant general to Governor Hastings, and Gen. James W. Latta, of Pittsburgh, made short addresses. Col. John P. Gobin, commander-inchief of the G. A. R., was called for. Gen. Gobin proposed that instead of a speech he would ask the vast audience to sing "America," which was done with

At the conclusion of the song the au-dience, on motion of Gen. Gobin, gave Governor Hastings the Chautauquan salute with the waving of handker-chiefs, and the predding officer declared To-night the veterans enjoyed a camp

To-night the veterans enjoyed a camp fire at the city auditorium, prepared by the local G. A. R. and confederate veterans. The blue and gray mingled freely and ate out of the same haversack, drank from the same canteen and told years until the wee sma hours.

The Pennsylvania veterans will leave for their homes to-morrow, all delighted with the hospitality they have received from the people of this section.

Several regimental monument dedica-

Several regimental monument dedications occurred this morning.
Twenty-ninth — Lookout Mountain, Col. W. D. Rickards, commander of the regiment delivered the oration.
Twenty-eighth and One Hundred and Forty-seventh, at Craven's House, Lookout Mountain; Joseph L. Cornet, of the Philadelphia Press, was orator for the former, and Joseph Lumbard for the latter regiment.
Forty members of Knapp's battery marched to Orchard Knob and dedicated their monument simultaneously with the general dedication. Col. J. D. Walker, of Pittsburgh, delivered the oration, reviewing at length the history of the battery.
Ninth cavalry, Chickamauga, dedicated at 10 o'clock this morning. Major Bruce Cameron delivered the address, also Major M. A. Cherst, Major George A. Shuman, Capt. H. B. Waltman, Joseph Timmons, A. F. Schenck, George H. Miller and S. M. Rhuile.
One hundred and Eleventh dedicated tablet on Pallsade, Lookout Mountain, at 11 o'clock. Rev. J. R. Hoyle, of Trenton. N. J. was the orator.
Twenty-seventh, Orchard Knob, Capt, J. Adelsheimer, of Pittsburgh, orator.
Forty-sixth, Orchard Knob, Capt, Joseph Machette, orator.

Prominent Maryland Lawyer Suicides. SNOW HILL, Md., Nov. 15.—William Sidney Wilson, a prominent lawyer, and son of the late United States senaand son of the late United States sena-tor Wilson, committed suicide at his home in Snow Hill yesterday after-noon, by shooting himself with a re-volver. He is supposed to have taken his life while suffering under tempo-rary aberration of mind from the re-sult of buf health. His widow was a Miss Ewing of St. Louis. OFFICIAL VOTE OF OHIO.

Sushnell's Plurality Slightly Decreased. The Completion of the Legislature Makes Hanna's Election Sure in Aug

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 15 .- The official vote in Ohio for the respective candidate for governor at the late election is thus recorded: Bushnell, (R.), 429,816; Chaprecorded: Bushnell, (R.), 423,815; Chapman, (D.), 401,715; Holliday, (Pro.), 7,558; Coxey, (Peoples Party), 6,354; Dexter, (Nat. Dem.), 1,661; Watkins, (Socialist Labor), 4,342; Lewis, (Negro Protective) 476; Laberty, 3,107. Bushnell's plurality, 28,101. The vote in Ohlo for President McKinley and other candidates for President, siven here for comparison, wast McKinley, (R.), 525,991; Bryan, (D.), 474,832; Bryan Peoples Party, 2,415; Levering, (Pro.), 5,068; Bentley, (Nat. Pro.), 2,715; Matchett, (Soc. Lab.), 1,156; Palmer, (Nat. Dem.), 1,853. McKinley's plurality, 51,109.

The senate has 17 Republican members, 18 known Democrats and 1 fusion Republican elected on the Democratic ticket at Cincinnati—total, 36. The house has 58 known Republican members, 47 known Democrats and 4 fusion Republicans elected on the Democratic ticket in Cincinnati. Total, 109.

On joint ballot the Republicans have five majority. If they get the fusion Republicans, the majority will be eleven. Of the known Republicans three have decided to say how they will vote for United States senator. The Hanna men claim all of the other known Republicans, which, if the claim is well founded, would stew Mr. Hanna a majority of two on joint ballot.

EX-CONGRESSMAN LONGSTON DEAD. man, (D.), 401,715; Holliday, (Pro.), 7,558;

EX-CONGRESSMAN LONGSTON DEAD. Born a Slave He Rose to Eminence and Influence-First Colored Man Effected to

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 15 .- Ex-Congressman John M. Langston, of Virginia, one of the prominent colored men of the country, died here at 8:30 this evening. He was sixty-eight years

this evening. He was sixty-eight years of age, having been born a slave in 1829, He was emancipated at the age of six and was educated at Oberlin, where he graduated from the theological department in 1854.

He afterward studied law and practiced his profession until 1869, during which time he held several township offices in Ohio, being the first colored man elected to office in the United States by popular vote. From 1877 to 1835 he was United States minister and consul general to Hayti. He was elected to the Fifty-first Congress and was given his seat on a contest.

Since 1891, Mr. Langston has been prominent in politics, but did not hold office.

Will Speak to Outside World.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MARTINSBURG, W. Va., Nov. 15.—
The efforts being made to get a long distance telephone here will probably be crowned with success before the end of crowned with success before the end of the year. Senator Paulkner, whose ex-ertions in this direction have been great-er than those of any other citizen, has re-ceived a letter from Samuel M. Bryan, president and general manager of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, in which he says that work will be begun without delay to connect Martinsburg with Hagerstown, and thence by long distance telephone with points east, west and north. He hopes to have the work completed during De-cember.

The Tragedy of Poverty.

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BOSTON, Nov. 15.—Frank McLane
McLaughlin and his wife, Mary, were
found in an unconscious condition, in
their home in South Boston, this morning. Both had been shot and both, it is
thought, will die. The man was revived by the physicians who were summoned and in a short time was able to
talk. He informed the police that his
wife had shot him while he was asleep,
and that she afterwards attempted to wife had shot him while he was asleep, and that she afterwards attempted to kill herself. McLauphin, who is in the advanced stage of consumption, has been ordered to the hospital to-day. The police believe that his wife, driven to desperation, decided to end both of their lives. They had lived in abject destitution and there was only a single piece of bread in their rooms. Two months ago a child was born to the couple and dled at the age of two weeks, and the event seemed to weigh heavily on the woman's mind. They had been married about a year.

To Restore Independence Hall.
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 15.—At 7 o'clock this morning workmen began tearing down the many additions to Independence Hall, that have been built from time to time, and which marred the simplicity of the historic structure. The entire block from Fifth to Sixth street, and facing on Chestnut street, has been shut in by a board fence ten feet high, so that relie hunters and sightseers can be kept at a safe distance. Not a brick nor a board of the old building will be silowed to be carried away. The building occupied by the University law school, at Sixth and Chestnut streets, will be torn down, as will also several small structures which were added to the main hall when the building was occupied by the city officials. It is the intention to restore the old building to as near its original design as possible.

A Dramatic Scene. To Restore Independence Hall.

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CAMDEN, N. J., Nov. 15.—There was a dramatic scene in the Camden county jail this morning, when Mrs. Fiorence McCusker, who is held on the charge of murdering her husband, was notified that she would not be allowed to attend his funeral to-day. The woman became hysterical and shricked and raved like a maniac. As the carriages containing the relatives of the murdered man filed past the jail, the shrieks of Mrs. McCusker could be plainly heard on the outside. In her ravings, she insisted that she was innocent of the murder, Mrs. McCusker sent a large floral offering. It was of red carnations, in the shape of a heart, and the center was pierced by a spear. The murdered man's relatives refused, however, to allow the flowers to be placed on McCusker's grave.

TOLD IN A FEW LINES.

Dr. Thomas W. Evans, the American dentist, is dead in Paris, after an illness of twents-four hours, death resulting from heart disease. He was born in Philadelphia about sevents-five bears ago, and went to Paris in 1846, where he won a great reputation. Since his advent in the French capitol. Dr. Evans has attended to the teeth of the most of the crowned heads of Europe, to say nothing of almost innumerable members of the royal families, excepting Queen Victoria and the sultan of Turkey.

The governor of Arkannas has put his foot down on football, and has written to the president of the university of that state to compress "the brutal game" in that institution.

The Harrison Telephone Company, of Toledo, has gone into the hands of a receiver.

FAMOUS CHARGE

Made by the Gordon Highlanders at Dargai Ridge.

THE INDIAN REBELS ROUTED

After one of the Most Courageous Amault in the History of Modern Warfare-The Brave Action of one of the Pipers. Though Shot Through Both Legs he Propped Himself Against a Boulder and Continued to Inspire his Comrades with the Stirring Strains of his Bogpipe.

LONDON, Nov. 15 .- The newspapers of this city have received graphic details by mail of the recapture of Dargai Ridge by the Gordon Highlanders on October 20, during which that regiment exhibited remarkable dash and courage.

On Wednesday, October 20, Gen, Biggs sent the second division to dislodge the tribesmen from the Dargai Ridge. The position was a very strong one, the enemy occupying the summit of a precipitous hill. The top of this hill could be reached only by a single path along which the attacking force, at first con-sisting of a Ghurka regiment, the Der-byshire regiment and the Dorsetshire regiment, was obliged to climb in In-dian file, while three batteries of artil-lery shelled the breastworks of the hill-

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Dargal Ridge from the direction of
the assault presents a frontage of about
a mile, the left end of which is sheer
rock for 200 yards. In spite of the difficulty of the ascent, the movements of
the British troops were fairly well covered, except in the case of a low dip, or
small valley, from 100 to 150 yards wide,
about half way up the ridge. This dip
was exposed to direct fire from the summit of the cliffs. As the Ghurkas, supported by the Derbyshires and Dorsetshires, reached this fire zone the top of
the cliffs burst out into fisme, for a
thousand tribesmen had reserved their
fire until that moment. Though decimated, the Ghurkas struggled across
the dip and reached the shelter of a few
rocks, where they law down under cover
for a moment in order to recover their
breath. for a moment in order to recover their

Then, led by their officers, they made a rush for the cover of the cliff side. But the others could not follow and the enemy, with true military instinct, reserved their fire. Though the remainder of the Ghurkas, the Derbyshires and the Dorsetshires appeared on the fringe of the dip, yet to step into the fire zone was to court death. But the Dorsetshires again tried to advance to the support of the Ghurkas and thir-teen men struggled into the open space, only to drop before the far side was reached.

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Then rejuctantly the senior officer heliographed down to the main body of the British troops that the passage could not be made.

At this juncture Gen. Kempster ordered the Gordon Highlanders to the feart.

The time had arrived for desperate action, for it was then 4 o'clock in the afternoon and the dead and wounded were lying thick on every side. Over 100 men had already fallen, and the enemy were shouting their defiance and waving their battle flags and beating their drums, confident of the impregnability of their position and condition of their success.

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But the ordon Highlanders had yet to be reckoned with. Rapidly forming his men, and after his now historic speech, "Men of the Gordon Highlandspeech, "Men of the Gordon Highland-ers, our general says that position must be taken at all costs. The Gordon Highlanders will take it," Col. Mathias, the commander of the Highlanders, dashed out at the head of his gallant regiment and in a moment they were across, carrying everyone with them in their onrush, storming the ridge with a resolution that was resistless and beating down all opposition.

When Col. Mathias gave the order to advance he and his officers leaped into the open and the pipers of the Highlanders followed, striking up "Cock of the North," and with a shout the leadthe North," and with a shout the lead-ing company of killed men was into the fire zone. A stream of lead swept over, through and past them, bullets churn-ing up the dust which half hid the rushing bodies. Piper Findlater, blow-ing his loudest and best, was among the first to show the way across that dead-ly strip of ground, and when, after traversing but a few yards, he was laid low by a shot through both legs, he low by a shot through both legs, he managed to prop himself up against a boulder and continued with unabated energy to play "Cock of the North," an-imating his comrades by the familiar, stirring music of his piece.

But the fire of the enemy was most deadly. The leading line melted away and it seemed that the Gordon Highlanders would be annihilated. More men, however, sprang into the passage and the leaders struggled across to the cover. There was a lull, and, as one paper remarks, "one had time to see how cruel had been the slaughter."

Then, with a second cheer, the mixed troops, seeing the barrier had been swept away, left their loopholes and rock barriendes and fied precipitately down the reverse stopes without wait-

rock barricades and fied precipitately down the reverse stopes without waiting for the line of cold steel which was then nearly on the crest of the ridge. Piper s'indiater has been recommended for the Victoria cross. Capt. Robinson, of the Ghurkas, also acted with the greatest gallantry. After leading his men across the fire zone to the cover, and finding the force more than insufficient, he returned over the death trapalone and was mortally wounded while leading the second rush of Ghurkas to support the first body of that regiment.

LONDON, Nov. 15.-The afternoon ewspapers devote editorial articles day to the visit of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. premier of Canada, to Washington They are generally in the same tenor as those of the Pall Mail Gazette, namely that the expectation that the visit "will make the relations between the United States and Canada closer is a dream."

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The Globe declares "The statesmen at Washington have played their cards badle, and they know it. Canada has learned the lesson of patriotic independence and self-reliance, and the magnificent discoveries of gold which promise her in the near future ab enormous increase of population, have confirmed her in the just confidence that with the mother country at her back she needs no American assistance in the work or no American assistance in the work of earning out for hurself an honorable and prosperous career,

## DEATH REVEALS A BOMANCE.

Chicago Club Man Dies at a Won CHICAGO, Nov. 15.—Mrs. Mabel Estelle Wallace, at whose home on Indiana avenue, John B. Ketcham Saturday, and her claim that she is the widow of the dead club man, has brought to light her romantic history. According to Mrs. Wallace the cere mony by which she became the cere-mony by which she became the third Mrs. Ketcham was performed in Mil-waukee, on September 24, by a Metho-dist minister. The latter's name sha does not remember, but says he can be easily found, and her claims to Mr. Ketcham's estate of \$500,000 establish-ed.

Mrs. Wallace is the widow of Jo

Mrs. Wallace is the widow of Jomes R. Walkup, former mayor of Emporia, Kansas, and wealthy. When he died in 1835, under somewhat strange circumstances, his youthful bride was arrested and tried for murdering him, but she was freed. She married him when she was only fifteen years of age, although he was almost sixty. She was a widow at seventeen, and to avoid unpleasant notoriety she assumed the name of Wallace.

She came to Chicago after she had spent considerable money travelling in Europe and purchased the residence at 3421 Indiana avenue, which she furnished in splendid style. Of late she had been seen driving in company with Mr. Ketcham, several times, whose divorce with the second Mrs. Ketcham, the Toledo, Ohio, society leader was a sensation a few months ago. Mrs. Wallace, or Ketcham, declares that the certificate of ther marriage to the deceased, as well as his last will and testament, leaving all his estate to her, is locked up in a safety deposit vault down town.

"John desired that I should not tell his mother or his relatives of the marriage," she said. "But his brother, George, had been here to visit him before he died. John will be buried in my lot in Ross Hill cemetery, where I expect to lie beside him when my time comes."

John B. Ketcham's death will be investigated by the coroner. The circumstances surrounding his illness and the manner of his death are deemed such as to warrant an investigation. To-day

manner of his death are deemed such as to warrant an investigation. To-day Chef Deputy Coroner Mandelbaum was sent to the residence of Mrs. Wallace, or Ketcham, on Indiana avenue. The deputy, it is alleged, was unable to get any satisfaction from the servants or from Mrs. Ketcham and he advised the coroner to order a postmortem examination of the remains of the dead millionaire.

Coroner Bers said that his reason for investigating the death of the millionaire was that some reports of the circumstances of his decease contained invendees of sufficient strength to warrant a search for their foundation. No member of the family, he said, had asked that the death be investigated, but he thought for the benefit of the public all question of the nature of Mr. Ketcham's illness and demise should be settled.

George H. Ketcham, of Toledo, Ohlo, who arrived at the Auditorium to-day, it is understood, has not been seen at the coroner's office.

Labor Nemerial Day.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 15.—At to-day's session of the Knights of Labor assembly it was voted unanimously to set apart the last Sunday in June as Labor Memorial Day. This will be observed by all the district assemblies in the United States. It was expressly stated that the day should not be regarded in the light of a holiday. It was fixed upon Sunday especially because it could not be made a holiday with its attendant festivities. During the rest of the afternoon a number of minor matters were disposed of which related purely to the order. The report of the committee on finances was received. This committee had made an examination of the books of the order and found everything to be in first class shape.

Baseless Star on Thorn.

Baseless Story on Thorn, PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 15.—A' party of Queens county, (N. Y.), offparty of Queens county, (N. 1.), omecials, including District Attorney Youngs, Police Captain Methuen, and Detective Krauch, were here to-day, investigating a story concerning Martin Thorn, the accused Guldensuppe murderer. The visit followed a statement made in the Long Island prison by a man claiming to be a Philadelphia detective that he identified Thorn as a person who had served a sentence in erson who had served a Moyamensing prison here for thett. The New York officials went carefully over the criminal records of this city, but and nothing concerning Thorn left, satisfied that the story was base-

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Nov. 15.-The case against E. A. Van Balkenburg, charged with conspiring to bribe representative-elect Webster C. Welss, Sentative-dece tyeosee C. Wess, G. Northampton county, to vote for John Wanamaker for United States senator, as against State Senator Penrose, has been settled out of court. The case had been called several times for trial, but was postponed from time to time. To was postponed from lime to time. To-day was finally agreed upon by coun-sel for both sides, for the trial to pro-ceed, but when court convened this morning it was announced that a set-tlement had been made. The case pro-mised to be a sensational one. Mr. Wanamaker and Thomas Doian, of Philadelphia, had both been subpoenaed as witnesses.

Killed Himself in Church. SOUTH BEND, Ind., Nov. 15 .-

Charles M. Spencer, manager of the Charles M. Spencer, manager of the Postal Telegraph Company's office at Deadwood, S. D., purposely fatally shot himself last night in the Methodist Episcopal church at Westville, Ind., where until recently he was manager of the postal company. The deed was committed while the congregation were singing and much excitement followed. His parents reside at Belmore, Ohio, Despondency and alloged financial troubles are assigned as causes.

Killed Ille Louis Dangliter.

Ohio, Nov. 15 -- John Firestone, living two miles east of Leipsic, killed his six-year-old daughter, Effie, to-day, with a flat iron, while in a de-lirium from typhold fever. He struck the little one twice. He then made an unsuccessful attempt upon his own life.

Weather Porceast for To-day. For West Virginia, unsettled weather, with occasional showers; probably clear-ing Tuesday night; southerly winds, be-

Tuesday night; southerly winds, be-oming northerly.
For Western Pennaylvania, rain; proba-ty clearing Tuesday night; colder; brisk outherly winds, becoming northerly.
For Onlo, rain in the morning; probably learing Tuesday afternoon; decidedly older; brisk southerly winds, becoming Local Temperature.

The temperature yesterday as observed by 1. Schnepf, druggist, corner Fourteenth and Market streets, was as follows:

7 a. m. 5i | 3 p. m. 6 9 a. m. 56 | 1 p. m. 6 12 m. 61 | Weuther-Changie.